12.6 OVERVIEW OF MFC SHELLFISH AND REGIONAL COMMITTEES RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DRAFT BAY SCALLOP FMP

Recommendations	Shellfish	Southeast	Central	Northeast	Inland
Insufficient Data					
Recommend a recreational license for harvesting shellfish		AC/DMF		AC/DMF	AC/DMF
Recommend surveying fishermen that use commercial licenses for recreational harvest		AC/DMF	AC/DMF	AC/DMF	AC/DMF
*Recommend status quo for no license for recreational harvest of shellfish	Shellfish				
*Recommend attaching shellfish to the upcoming CRFL license			Central		
*Recommend a survey on recreational shellfishermen	Shellfish				
Recommend continue prohibited take and evaluate the population annually	AC/DMF	AC/DMF	AC/DMF	AC/DMF but concerned about no trigger or a time period for opening	AC/DMF
Recommend sampling during the prohibited take period to define an independent sampling indicator for re-opening a harvest season	AC/DMF	AC/DMF	AC/DMF	AC/DMF	AC/DMF
Recommend open the main bay scallop season to commercial and recreational hand harvest only on January 1 and open to mechanical harvest the last Monday in January		AC		No recommendation	
Recommend eliminating the December opening and compress the main season by beginning the last Monday in January			DMF	No recommendation	DMF

^{*} Additional recommendations from the committees.